HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 198

By Hackworth

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Anderson County
Emergency Medical Services Director Robert
Byrd on receiving the L. Gale Allen President's
Leadership Award from the Tennessee
Ambulance Service Association.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those public servants who have dedicated themselves to improving the quality of life for their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, Robert Byrd, Director of Anderson County Emergency Medical Services, is one such estimable person; Mr. Byrd recently received the L. Gale Allen President's Leadership Award from the Tennessee Ambulance Service Association (TASA); and

WHEREAS, the award's recipient is chosen directly by the President of TASA for remarkable leadership and dedicated service to the provision and administration of emergency medical services (EMS) in the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, at the organization's mid-winter conference in Gatlinburg, TASA President Doug McQuary presented Mr. Byrd with the award, which is named for the late L. Gale Allen, former Sevier County EMS Director and founding member of TASA; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the many duties involved in the administration of emergency medical services in Anderson County, Robert Byrd is currently serving his second term as Chairman of the State of Tennessee EMS Board, where he has taken a special interest in issues of regulatory oversight; and

WHEREAS, Robert Byrd has acted as Director of Anderson County EMS for eleven years and as of April, he will have dedicated thirty years of his life to providing emergency medical services; and

WHEREAS, it would be impossible to estimate the number of lives Mr. Byrd has helped to save or the number of families he has helped to keep intact; thanks to his tireless commitment, the people of Anderson County and the State of Tennessee are without a doubt safer, happier, and healthier today; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Anderson County EMS Director Robert Byrd on receiving the L. Gale Allen President's Leadership Award from the Tennessee Ambulance Service Association, thank him for his unwavering commitment to the health and well-being of his fellow citizens, and wish him much success in all his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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